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THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 21, 1922.

Marietta College announces its intention of dispensing education by radio. Correspondence schools will probably have heart failure at the innovation.

PARKING SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED.

If Fairmont had an ordinance doing away with the parking of automobiles on Adams Street, it would be a great help to the hundreds of Christmas shoppers in the city right now.

At times the past few days it has been almost impossible to get in to the curb along Adams Street either to allow persons to alight, or to take persons into a car. Cars have been parked in almost continuous rows along the street.

It is a dangerous business to attempt to get into an automobile which stops beyond the parking line to take on a passenger. Not only does the person run a chance of being run down by another car, but the driver himself blocks traffic so long as he remains waiting for his passenger. When automobiles are parked on both sides of the street, there is small chance for a car to stop in the middle channel for the convenience of those in it, the only thing to do is to drive to the nearest point where the curb may be reached and alight there.

Adams Street is too narrow and too crowded to permit the parking of automobiles even for a few minutes. This is true of every day conditions, and it is most noticeably true at present.

NOT TO BE CRITICIZED.

It is not surprising that testimony from witnesses in the Herrin trial is procured by the prosecution with the utmost difficulty. Newspapers are reporting the reluctance and hesitation with which these witnesses answer questions.

It is all very well for those remote from the scene of the Herrin massacre to voice indignation at these faltering witnesses. It is very easy to rage at the trouble the state has had in getting enough evidence to prosecute, but there is a certain sympathy that must be felt by the thinking public for the men who are now in the witness stand facing those on trial, for these witnesses have a first hand knowledge of the cruel and awful acts these accused men are capable of doing.

Some of the witnesses who have fearfully identified some of the accused as men who were armed and participating in the bloody murder that took place, are men whose homes are on the scene. All their worldly possessions are centered in Herrin or near by, and their wives and children are living there at the mercy of attack which miserable revenge might inspire. Not only this, but these state's witnesses have seen the faces of the men who led the mob, convulsed and crazed, bestial and awful. Is it any wonder that these frightened witnesses betray their fear and reluctance on the stand?

But what emphatic testimony is every faltering word they utter. These identifications and these statements wrung from these men by the prosecuting attorney under the conditions prevailing, should go farther toward impressing a jury than all the fluent testimony of a willing witness giving voluntary information. The public that read in a sort of horrified daze the details of the Herrin massacre, and which now finds its horror renewed in the testimony brought out in the trial under way, should be slow to criticize those frightened

people who are now squirming under the questioning of the prosecution. There are few who act differently under the circumstances.

A RIGHT RESERVED.

Inaccurate and misleading is the statement made by pro-league newspapers that the American demand for the observance of our rights in the Far East is a participation in European affairs. The right of the United States to have its merchant ships or its fighting ships go and come as they please on waters not within the jurisdiction of any one nation, is not an European affair. The United States has never indicated any intention to keep out of discussion or settlement of matters of that kind.

In the rejection of the league of nations covenant and refusal to let ourselves up in a permanent compact with practically all European nations, we did not announce a policy of isolation nor renounce our right to protect our national interests in Europe or in any other section of the earth. What we did do and what we still do has been adequately described by President Harding when he said in substance that we reserve to ourselves the right to say when and where and in what manner we shall participate in the discussion of questions of interest to ourselves directly or indirectly.

When certain European nations got together in an effort to distribute among themselves special privileges in the Far East, our Department of State, with the approval of the President, gave notice of our intention to insist upon an open door policy. This was not a demand for any special privileges for ourselves and not an effort to get for ourselves any benefits resulting from the war in Europe. We were merely asking that in the formation of international treaties, voluntary or involuntary, there shall be no unjust and unfair discrimination against the United States. We do not ask for ourselves or our citizens any privileges that we are unwilling to have extended to any other nation or its citizens.

Having failed in their effort to induce the government of the United States to yield its sovereignty to a super-state known as the league of nations, the internationalists in this country are now striving on every slender opportunity to create the impression that the United States is breaking away from its policy of independence and gradually departing from the international policies of George Washington in reality if not in form. As a matter of fact, fully proven by the records, the Republican administration has not varied from the policy announced in the campaign of 1920 so far as international relations are concerned. We now maintain diplomatic relations with all the other leading nations of the earth just as we have throughout our national existence. We do not only seek to maintain friendly diplomatic relations but to attain closer commercial relations. We do this, however, without in any way limiting our right as a nation to shape our international policies according to conditions as they are presented from time to time.

The only sense in which the United States is isolated is that it refuses to meddle in foreign controversies which are none of our business. Whenever any foreign negotiations affect the rights and interests of the United States they cease to be entirely foreign and become in a measure an American problem.

Now, as in the past, we are minding our own business and letting other people's business alone.

Considering the temper of the Turk toward the remaining Christian population in Turkey, it would be a wise move on the part of the latter if they were to get out of the country before being chased out. Thousands of them are doing this very thing and American vessels are daily packed with these pitiful people. The Stars and Stripes are beginning to have a similar significance to that of the white banner with the red cross in those countries overseas. America's flag is become a refuge and a help wherever it waves.

That new sleeper service to Charleston has almost caused the public to shed tears of gratitude. Probably an excursion to Charleston would make a hit during the holidays. There are hundreds of Fairmonters who have never been in Charleston but once and then they were too tired, and hungry, and mad, to give the city an unbiased chance to make a good impression.

It is reported that there was one woman in Fairmont last Christmas who purchased, wrapped, and tied every single gift that she wished to present, who sent out by parcels post every package that she wished to send to distant friends, who mailed every Christmas card and never forgot a single person whom she wished to remember, who got all her Christmas baking and cleaning done, the house trimmed with greens, put a dollar in the Salvation Army kettle, gave a dollar to the Times Christmas fund, bought a dollar's worth of Red Cross Seals, and sat down on Christmas eve with a serene untroubled mind. But who was she?

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

By CONDO



to pay, but we did.

Wonders never cease, says Johnny.

One of the West Virginia players started on the trip wearing a straw hat. It was only about 20 degrees above zero.

We mean the temperature, not the hat.

Who knows—they may be going to put on a minstrel show en route.

Christmas sure does give us a "Strapping."

Hope Deacon Slapapple gets plenty of good cider for Christmas. His hair tonic seems to be doing right well, though.

We'll get a blast from Manning for that one.

Italian Dictator Once an Editor—headline. Very likely a city editor on the basis of the job he has now.

Owing to the Christmas rush in the composing room, they failed to set the best part of this column yesterday, so we repeat today:

"The dentist enjoyed a turkey dinner recently. That's not the kind of filling they give their patients."

Now see how you can mess it up today—Gosh darn it!

As a soletful gift, we suggest a pair of shoes.

Go away, dull care, go away!

We don't mind sitting around a coal fire, but how we hate to drag in the coal and drag out the ashes.

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

CAYUGA, Dec. 20.—Five prisoners in the Haldemond County jail had narrow escapes from being burned to death today when fire raged the jail and courthouse. Firemen reached the men in their cells just in time.

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Officers Elected

At a meeting of the Workers Conference of the M. E. Sunday school one evening last week, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Superintendent, S. J. Smith; Assistant superintendent, W. F. Hoult; secretary, Mrs. Edna Hufman; treasurer, Mrs. S. O. Cummings; librarians, Meri Keller and Grace Hoult; Superintendent missionary department, Jas. D. Bowman; secretary-treasurer, Ellen Holbert; superintendent temperance department, Ray Bowman; organist, Mrs. Edna Hufman; superintendent home department, Mrs. S. J. Smith; superintendent grade roll, Florence Wiles.

It was decided to introduce the use of graded lessons in the Primary Class, making two classes using the graded lessons.

Personal
Mrs. Newton Rease held a quilt-fest at her home yesterday. A number of neighbors gathered at the Rease home for the affair.

John C. Bowman of Morgantown is a guest of his brother, Jack I. Bowman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McOlvin and daughter Betty Lee are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Sperling and Mrs. McOlvin's mother, Mrs. S. J. Smith. Mr. McOlvin moved his family from Fairmont to Akron, Ohio, a short time ago, but they will reside here again in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Harwood and children of Preston County are guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Wilson.

TWO BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—Fire of undetermined origin late last night destroyed two of four buildings comprising the main plant of the Williamson Heater Co., situated in Oakley, a suburb of Cincinnati. The loss was estimated at \$100,000.

The World War killed in battle three American soldiers for every millionaire that was made.

LOCAL COOK BOOK SELLING RAPIDLY

Many Women Here Contribute
Best Recipes to Episcopal
Publication.

"Favorite Recipes, the cook book now on sale by the women of Christ Episcopal Church, is selling rapidly, and it is probable that another edition will be printed within the next few days. Many of the books have been bought for Christmas presents.

The book contains some 200 recipes, and it is attractively bound in buff-colored cloth. On the front cover is a border of green, and in the upper left hand corner is a green basket filled with poinsettias, balanced on either side by red candles in green candle sticks. The name of the book "Favorite Recipes," is printed on the cover in red capital letters.

The recipes are divided as to kind, and in the index in the back of the book one finds where to look for bread, cake, candies, cheese, chicken, cookies, croquettes, fancy desserts, fish, oysters and sauces, gingerbread, ices, ice cream and sherbets, meats, miscellaneous, oysters, pastry, pickles, potatoes, salads and salad dressing, sandwiches, sauces, gravies, pudding sauce, soup and vegetables. After each division in the book are several blank pages, upon which other recipes may be written.

All of the recipes are tested ones and they were given by the following people:

Mrs. A. B. Fleming, Mrs. E. F. Hartley, Mrs. J. E. Sands, Mrs. C. W. Watson, Mrs. Sallo P. Nuzum, Mrs. John L. Wagner, Mrs. W. E. Watson, Mrs. C. L. Skinner, Mrs. J. E. Watson, Miss Edith Watson, Mrs. Conrad A. Sipe, Mrs. George Mellus Wilshire, Mrs. W. Nelson Beale, Mrs. James Smith, Mrs. Howard Showalter, Mrs. Morgan Chambers, Mrs. Brooks S. Hutchinson, Miss Lucy L. Watson, Mrs. Frank Haas, Mrs. John A. Clark, Mrs. Nannie Henshaw (Martinsburg Cook Book), Miss Bessie Watson, Mrs. O. J. Sands, Mrs. C. F. Turner, Mrs. A. W. Sterling, Mrs. W. T. Hartman, Mrs. Irene Cooper, Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson, Mrs. Morgan Chambers, Mrs. W. H. Conaway, Mrs. Arthur Stealey, Mrs. Ernest Hutton, Mrs. Glenn Greer, Mrs. Henry S. Lively, "Rose", Miss Etta Watson, Mrs. C. M. Modersall, Miss Farmer, Miss Sue E. Hall, Mrs. N. S. Barnes, Miss Louise Nichols, Miss Kathryn McCoy, Miss Mary M. Talbot, Miss Ruth W. Watson, Mrs. A. F. Peddicord, Mrs. E. S. Towson, Mrs. Roger Kingsland, Mrs. Earl Smith, Miss Louise Johnson, Mrs. Howard Estill (Mrs. Ernest Hutton), Mrs. Joseph Lehman, Mrs. K. A. Rock, Mrs. Harry P. Robinson, Mrs. Charles Powell, Mrs. H. G. Stoetzer, Mrs. A. J. Stone, Miss Sue E. Hall, Miss Jeanette Cochran, Miss Blanche Barnes, Mrs. J. A. Clark, Miss Josephine Doherty, Mrs. Francis E. Nichols, Mrs. M. N. Barnes, Miss Bessie Mason, Mrs. Thum, Mrs. Brobst, Mrs. Allen Russell, Miss May Fleming, Mrs. Amos F. Hutchins, Mrs. C. L. Shaver, Mrs. Charles Miller, Mrs. H. C. Sample, Mrs. Frank Lyon, Mrs.

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Berton Braley's Poem

DOESN'T IT, THOUGHT

We're born, and go on growing,
Through childhood's seasons glow ing,
And the world rolls on.
We frisk, as lads and lassies
Till adolescence passes,
And the world rolls on—
Oh, the world rolls on,
From dawn to dark and from dark
to dawn.
We're dull, or sad, or merry,
We work, when necessary,
And the world rolls on.

We have our time of dreaming,
Of planning and of scheming,
And the world rolls on;
We grow a little older,
Our blood runs slower, colder,
And the world rolls on.

Yes, the world rolls on,
Night and day till the years are
gone.
We boast of our successes
Or wall at our distresses,
And the world rolls on.

And yet there's fun in striving,
In toiling and contriving,
While the world rolls on;
We have our little flurries,
Then laugh, "Well, we should
worry,
Let the world roll on!"

Let the world roll on,
We can't argue either pro or con,
We'll live life till it's over,
And then, beneath the clover,
Let the world roll on!
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THE MAID ON THE COURTHOUSE

"Hello, Tom," said the Maid on the Courthouse to Tom Connell as he came up the Main Drag from Little Fairmont across the river.

"Hello, yourself," said Tom.

"I haven't talked to you for a long time," said the Maid.

"No, thank goodness, I had hoped you had forgotten me," replied Tom.

"Have you heard any good stories lately fit for a Maid?"

"Yes, I did hear a good Christmas story yesterday," answered Tom.

"Shoot," said the Maid.

"Well, a certain little girl told her father the other day that she would have to get a Christmas present for her school teacher. She said all the kids were getting presents for their teachers. She asked him what he would suggest. He told her to buy her teacher a nice box of button holes. The little girl studied for a minute and then replied, 'Dad, I think I'll just get her the buttons, because I think she

has lost some of hers anyway.' "Excused for the day," said the Maid.

"Thanks."

Sidelights

A NARROW ESCAPE.

A local man had quite an unusual Christmas experience this week. He is the proud father of three little girls, one just 5 months old.

The other day he went down street and purchased for the two older girls dolls that murmur "Mama" when tilted just right. In order to allow Santa Claus to function properly, he ordered the dolls sent to a neighbors, where Santa Claus would get them the night before Christmas.

In some manner the delivery of the dolls bungled, and so while the family was at luncheon yesterday, the front door opened and a delivery boy placed two packages at such an angle that—

"Mama, Mama," came from the two dolls in rapid succession.

"Goodness me," said one of the children at the table, "isn't our little baby sister smart—only 5 months old and she can say Mama."

Taking the needed cue, father said to mother: "That is wonderful. I guess she wants a drink of water." Then he left the table to

"get the baby a drink." Incidentally he grabbed the packages containing the dolls and rushed up stairs to hide them securely.

"Gee, what a narrow escape," he remarked later to his wife.

RUFF STUFF

Another move is likely in the capitol matter.

Pretty much of a chess game.

Only four days until Christmas.

Don't give the ice man the cold shoulder.

The nuts have a good time no doubt at a tackey dance.

All honest people are no dead. Consider the woman who turn a pocketbook with \$4,600 a few days before Christmas and returned it to the owner.

We know the inside stuff now on why that Times-West Virginian bowling match was called off last night. Pop Mepel had a banquet on.

We got a Christmas card yesterday with the postage due, but we were glad to pay the costs.

Johnny Scott never expected us

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